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Due to budgetary restrictions, Alabama Business will be published bimonthly for the remainder of the fiscal year. You will not receive an issue during May, July and September. These issues will be combined with those for June, August and October. Normal monthly publication is to resume with the new fiscal year on Oct. 1. We regret any inconvenience this change may cause you. CBER will continue to compile monthly data tables, and we will be happy to respond to your needs for this data. Write or call (205) 348-6191 with your inquiry. Again, we apologize for this temporary, but necessary, change.

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Alabama Business at a Glance

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GENERAL BUSINESS INDICATORS FOR ALABAMA

Type of Activity	Annual		1980						1981						
	1979	1980	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July
INDUSTRIAL															
Bituminous coal production[1] *(1,000 net tons)*	23,873	26,403	1,966	2,433	2,639	2,787	2,386	2,376	2,043	2,125	2,406	181	188	1,826	2,711
Cement shipments *(1,000 net tons)*	2,578	2,491	222	222	232	260	207	203	174	145	228	210	204	212	217
Coke production[2] *(1,000 net tons)*	4,671	3,413	199	227	198	192	202	226	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....	.....
Cotton consumption *(1,000 lbs.)*	394,144	385,438	28,428	29,127	32,450	35,581	29,660	29,118	28,314	28,220	29,656	30,206	27,657	27,082r	.....
Crude oil and condensate production *(1,000 barrels)*	19,177	21,896	1,502	2,024	1,910	1,909	1,895	1,940	1,940	1,660	1,714	1,646	1,619	1,766	.....
Electric energy consumption, industrial purposes *(1,000,000 kwh)*	28,359	26,845	2,084	2,186	2,249	2,162	2,239	2,147	2,198	2,176	2,088	2,226	1,324	2,249	2,188
Pig iron production *(1,000 net tons)*	3,675	2,624	70	72	112	137	146	284	283	225	288	253	266	230	215
Pulp, paper, and paperboard production *(1,000 net tons)*	4,603	4,660	345	395	380	366	395	352	402	391	499	448	454	441	415
Steel ingot production, adjusted index *(1967 = 100)*	91.5	68.2	24.3	25.9	38.0	46.5	55.2	93.7	93.4	80.6	85.6	83.8	83.4	77.2	70.7
Steel ingot production (Ala., Ark., Miss., Tenn.)[3] *(1,000 net tons)*	4,473	3,436	125	128	153	205	199	360	376	311	389	345	364	314	297
CONSTRUCTION															
Building contracts awarded, new and alterations combined[4] *($1,000)*	2,543,300	1,905,100	204,500r	232,900	167,900	179,000	129,900	144,300	108,600	138,100	162,400	191,200	139,600	156,200	120,800
Residential	992,100	902,400	78,000r	80,900	99,800	115,400	73,200	81,600	53,700	79,200	93,600	87,700	70,400	71,100	68,700
Nonresidential	684,000	544,400	48,600r	80,300	44,200	42,600	32,000	32,200	33,300	46,700	36,400	42,400	48,100	61,200	34,500
Public works and utilities	877,200	458,300	77,700r	71,500	23,900	21,100	24,700	30,500	21,600	12,200	32,400	61,000	21,300	23,800	17,600
Cement consumption *(1,000 net tons)*	1,270	1,133	105	107	99	111	87	88	76	66	102	95	88	89	88
FINANCE															
Insurance sales, ordinary life *($1,000)*	5,761,035	6,641,379	541,042	533,479	563,546	591,372	554,175	681,693	534,587	591,604	709,656	669,917	623,100	743,044	679,746
Savings in savings and loan associations[4] *($1,000,000)*	4,079	4,405	4,223	4,246	4,284	4,302	4,332	4,405	4,436	4,448	4,477	4,457	4,467	4,468	4,421
Tax collections *($1,000)*															
Total	1,646,078	1,786,780	166,801	145,922	152,289	170,966	161,433	104,374	179,810	179,241	133,233	184,029	207,679	128,780	192,342
Franchise	41,607	43,804	7,771	1,093	6,142	4,166	2,342	4,398	473	1,044	9,050	3,717	1,157	16,840	8,245
Gasoline (excl. aviation)	145,662	159,680	11,337	12,531	16,488	16,958	17,220	16,566	18,273	16,642	14,586	16,524	16,859	17,665	17,713
Income	569,697	631,075	61,665	58,232	35,874	52,380	69,376	8,572	52,389	87,546	35,186	63,862	110,073	32,600	68,481
Motor fuels	28,307	31,647	1,980	2,577	2,440	3,588	4,034	3,878	2,761	3,371	3,510	2,881	2,938	3,766	2,782
Sales	507,985	515,075	41,733	43,012	42,861	42,151	43,748	43,582	52,709	39,700	39,612	42,586	45,180	45,217	44,251
2.2% Gross receipts	28,555	33,192	7,889	52	6	9,443	37	2	9,438	.....	35	9,436	2	35	9,373
TVA electric	25,926	25,575	.....	3,883	4,901	2,570	.....	2,570	5,140	2,570	2,570	2,570	2,570	2,570	2,570
Tobacco	52,761	60,830	5,010	6,582	5,894	5,899	5,301	6,010	5,700	5,277	5,469	6,130	6,302	5,640	6,560
Use	57,383	61,216	12,648	1,682	949	12,636	1,551	865	13,274	1,967	1,176	11,643	2,971	1,075	13,717
Utility	94,022	111,578	8,325	9,078	9,854	10,022	9,446	8,820	9,809	11,224	10,930	10,583	10,437	8,997	9,874
PRICES															
Consumer Price Index, U.S.[5] *(1967 = 100)*															
All items	217.4	246.8	247.8	249.4	251.7	253.9	256.2	258.4	260.5	263.2	265.1	266.8	269.0	271.3	274.4
Food	214.5	254.6	254.8	258.7	261.1	262.4	264.5	266.4	268.6	270.8	272.2	272.9	272.5	273.6	276.2
Housing	227.6	263.3	265.1	265.8	267.7	271.1	273.8	276.9	279.1	280.9	282.6	284.8	288.5	292.2	297.0
Fuel and utilities	239.3	278.6	285.5	286.8	288.2	287.6	285.7	289.9	296.7	304.5	308.4	310.5	314.9	320.2	325.1
Apparel and upkeep	166.6	178.4	176.2	178.6	182.2	183.9	184.8	183.9	181.1	182.0	185.1	186.4	186.4	185.8	184.7
Transportation	212.0	249.7	251.0	252.7	254.7	256.1	259.0	261.1	264.7	270.9	273.5	275.3	277.8	279.9	282.6
Medical care	239.7	265.9	266.6	268.4	270.6	272.8	274.5	275.8	279.5	282.6	284.7	287.0	289.0	291.5	295.6
Energy	275.9	361.1	370.4	370.7	370.1	368.0	366.1	370.4	381.7	401.1	409.3	409.8	411.3	414.0	415.7
Producer Price Index, U.S.[6] *(1967 = 100)*															
All commodities	235.6	268.6	270.4	273.8	274.6	277.8	279.1	280.3	283.5	286.9	289.6	292.8	293.7	294.5	296.0
Industrial commodities	236.4	274.5	276.2	278.2	278.2	282.0	283.4	286.1	289.9	294.8	298.9	302.6	304.1	.....	.....
Index of prices received by Alabama farmers *(1977 = 100)*			130.0r	133.0r	140.0r	139.0r	138.0r	139.0r	136.0r	135.0	132.0	130.0	129.0	128.0	127.0
Purchasing power of the dollar, U.S. *(1967 = $1,000)* As measured by															
Consumer prices	.461	.405	.404	.401	.397	.394	.390	.387	.384	.380	.377	.375	.372	.369	.364
Wholesale prices	.424	.376	.371	.365	.364	.360	.358	.357	.353	.348	.345	.342	.340	.340	.338
LABOR FORCE AND EMPLOYMENT[7]															
Civilian labor force *(1,000 workers)*	1,625.0	1,642.0	1,666.1	1,653.4	1,653.0	1,663.5	1,648.6	1,637.1	1,632.3	1,639.2	1,638.2	1,642.6	1,645.9	1,644.8	1,635.9
Unemployment	116.0	144.0	179.1	161.3	151.0	147.2	144.2	139.9	152.0	155.1	151.8	138.9	144.0	161.1	152.5
Unemployment rate	7.1	8.8	10.7	9.8	9.1	8.8	8.7	8.5	9.3	9.5	9.3	8.5	8.7	9.8	9.3
Employment	1,509.0	1,498.0	1,487.0	1,492.1	1,502.0	1,516.3	1,504.4	1,497.2	1,480.3	1,484.1	1,486.4	1,503.7	1,501.9	1,483.7	1,483.4
Nonagricultural	1,362.0	1,358.3	1,342.5	1,348.0	1,349.9	1,357.8	1,362.7	1,366.9	1,353.6	1,353.3	1,350.1	1,344.1	1,344.7	1,346.2	1,344.5
Manufacturing	374.9	362.0	344.3	354.2	354.4	357.8	359.1	358.0	356.0	356.0	353.8	356.4	357.1	358.2	356.4
Durable goods	186.5	174.7	162.1	168.7	169.1	169.7	171.1	171.4	170.6	170.7	170.5	172.3	172.9	172.7	171.5
Lumber and wood products	30.8	28.2	27.0	27.5	27.5	27.4	27.4	27.8	27.2	27.3	27.7	27.9	27.8	27.7	27.5
Stone, clay, glass products	10.6	9.8	9.7	9.8	9.6	9.7	9.8	9.7	9.6	9.5	9.6	9.6	9.5	9.6	9.4
Primary metals	44.4	39.0	35.1	35.8	35.7	36.9	37.6	38.4	39.0	39.2	38.8	39.3	39.3	38.6	38.5
Blast furn. and steel works	18.1	15.0	12.3	12.8	12.6	13.5	13.9	14.8	15.5	15.6	15.5	15.9	15.4	14.9	15.0
Iron and steel foundries	14.3	13.0	12.4	12.7	12.7	12.9	12.9	12.7	12.5	12.6	12.5	12.7	13.0	12.8	12.6
Fabricated metals	25.9	25.0	23.6	24.5	24.8	24.8	24.9	24.8	24.6	24.3	24.3	24.4	24.4	24.2	24.2
Machinery (incl. electrical)	34.8	33.7	29.8	32.9	33.1	33.4	33.8	33.5	33.3	33.6	33.5	33.7	33.8	33.6	34.3
Transportation	23.5	22.7	21.2	22.2	22.2	21.0	21.2	20.8	20.7	20.4	20.5	21.3	21.9	22.0	22.1
Other durable goods	16.5	16.3	15.7	16.0	16.2	16.5	16.4	16.4	16.2	16.4	16.1	16.1	16.2	16.3	16.2
Nondurable goods	188.4	187.3	182.2	185.5	185.3	186.1	188.0	186.6	185.4	185.3	183.3	184.1	184.2	185.5	184.9
Food	28.1	28.3	28.7	28.9	28.9	28.8	29.2	29.0	28.8	28.6	28.4	28.5	28.8	29.1	29.0
Textile mill products	43.9	42.6	41.3	42.1	42.1	42.3	42.6	42.8	42.2	42.3	41.9	41.8	41.5	42.0	41.2
Apparel	52.7	53.9	53.2	54.6	54.6	54.5	53.7	52.4	52.1	52.3	51.8	52.9	52.9	52.8	53.2
Paper and allied products	20.4	19.4	17.3	17.3	16.8	19.5	19.4	19.4	19.2	19.3	19.3	19.0	19.5	19.8	19.9
Printing and publishing	10.1	10.0	10.0	9.8	9.9	10.0	10.1	10.2	10.2	10.1	10.1	10.2	10.2	10.1	10.1
Chemicals and allied products	16.1	15.8	15.7	15.7	15.7	15.7	15.7	15.6	15.6	15.4	14.6	14.6	14.5	14.5	14.5
Rubber products	14.5	14.7	13.4	14.5	14.7	14.7	14.7	14.7	14.7	14.7	14.7	14.6	14.3	14.5	14.4
Other nondurable goods	2.6	2.6	2.6	2.6	2.6	2.6	2.6	2.5	2.6	2.6	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.6	2.6
Nonmanufacturing	987.1	996.3	998.2	993.8	995.5	1,000.0	1,003.6	1,008.9	997.6	997.3	996.3	987.7	987.6	988.0	988.1
Mining and quarrying	16.7	16.9	16.8	16.8	16.9	16.9	17.0	16.9	16.9	17.0	16.9	6.8	6.9	17.0	16.4
Bituminous coal mining	12.5	12.8	12.9	12.9	12.9	12.9	13.0	12.9	12.9	12.9	12.9	2.8	2.9	12.9	12.4
Contract construction	75.4	72.1	73.3	74.4	73.8	71.4	71.4	71.2	70.8	70.4	71.0	71.1	70.9	70.8	70.7
Trans., comm., and utilities	71.7	71.5	71.9	71.0	71.1	71.0	71.2	71.8	71.1	71.3	71.5	71.3	71.5	71.3	71.6
Trade	275.6	273.3	273.0	272.8	272.9	273.6	274.4	278.8	271.0	267.9	267.9	269.8	270.4	270.7	270.4
Wholesale	73.1	72.4	73.3	72.8	72.3	72.3	71.9	72.3	71.5	71.6	71.3	70.9	71.2	72.0	72.0
Retail	202.5	200.9	199.6	200.9	201.3	201.3	202.5	206.5	199.5	196.3	196.6	198.9	199.2	198.7	198.4
Finance, insurance, real estate	58.3	58.6	59.0	58.9	58.8	58.8	58.6	58.8	58.9	58.8	58.8	58.8	58.7	58.9	58.7
Service and miscellaneous	197.8	204.4	204.8	204.9	206.3	206.9	207.2	207.7	207.7	207.9	207.6	208.4	208.0	207.2	207.3
Government	291.6	299.5	300.4	295.0	296.7	301.4	303.8	303.7	301.2	304.0	302.6	301.5	301.2	292.1	293.0
Federal	63.3	67.6	72.4	70.2	68.7	67.8	68.4	68.3	67.6	67.3	67.2	67.6	68.0	68.5	69.1
State and local	228.3	231.9	228.0	224.8	227.0	233.6	235.4	235.4	233.6	236.7	235.4	233.9	233.2	223.6	223.9

GENERAL BUSINESS INDICATORS FOR ALABAMA—CONTINUED

Type of Activity	Annual		1980						1981						
	1979	1980	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July
LABOR FORCE AND EMPLOYMENT—CONT.															
Other employment activity															
State Employment Service *(number)*															
Job applications	308,002	342,608	32,366	29,185	29,547	29,075	21,561	21,907	27,953	27,406	25,394	24,283	28,502	37,722	29,984
Nonagricultural placements	109,512	98,908	13,564	8,515	8,758	9,492	6,632	5,515	5,450	5,064	6,372	6,237	5,766	10,905	12,265
Unemployment compensation															
Initial benefit claims *(number)*	410,044	507,383	69,475	35,725	32,878	33,094	27,448	45,792	66,533	34,564	34,396	30,656	28,014	31,277	56,907
Payments *($1,000)*	134,185	188,465	20,605	18,007	16,333	16,590	13,384	16,194	17,687	14,692	14,246	14,015	11,986	12,456	15,433
County data *(civilian labor force and unemployment rate)*															
Autauga	13,577	13,891	14,112	14,016	14,084	13,990	13,945	14,193	14,173	13,639	13,544	13,518	13,523	13,536	13,411
	6.8	9.1	9.8	10.6	10.8	10.4	10.4	12.4	12.5	8.9	7.8	7.2	7.4	7.9	7.2
Baldwin	30,260	31,521	32,070	31,386	30,951	31,396	31,508	31,441	31,148	31,367	31,343	31,272	31,488	31,349	31,339
	7.0	6.9	7.7	6.7	6.2	6.0	6.0	6.0	6.5	7.1	6.6	5.8	6.2	6.4	6.7
Barbour	11,310	10,826	10,724	10,785	11,139	11,630	10,950	10,785	10,641	10,735	10,733	11,058	10,965	10,975	10,794
	8.7	8.8	10.2	8.3	7.1	9.8	9.3	10.0	10.7	11.3	9.5	9.9	9.3	14.0	9.6
Bibb	5,185	5,332	4,963	5,435	5,441	5,688	5,669	5,624	5,487	5,408	5,270	5,299	5,320	5,178	5,414
	9.9	15.8	17.9	16.6	15.7	18.0	19.8	20.8	24.7	21.3	18.5	18.5	17.9	17.0	20.1
Blount	13,584	13,651	13,881	13,858	14,022	14,144	13,776	13,447	13,267	13,299	13,100	13,284	13,518	13,619	13,417
	6.6	9.0	12.1	10.1	9.9	8.7	9.1	8.6	9.5	9.3	15.0	11.8	12.6	9.8	8.8
Bullock	4,541	4,369	4,423	4,490	4,638	4,728	4,511	4,266	4,026	4,059	4,087	4,234	4,358	4,144	4,226
	8.5	10.8	12.9	13.0	11.4	10.9	11.8	12.3	10.0	9.8	9.6	9.5	9.4	11.7	16.4
Butler	8,474	8,816	8,943	8,928	9,006	9,605	9,491	9,367	9,250	9,380	9,999	9,665	10,087	10,132	9,891
	8.5	8.6	11.9	12.7	8.3	7.8	7.0	6.1	6.6	7.1	9.4	5.5	10.0	10.7	8.8
Calhoun	43,348	43,568	44,778	43,659	43,319	43,498	43,792	43,474	43,491	44,089	44,104	43,594	43,317	43,495	43,585
	7.8	9.1	11.4	8.9	8.3	8.2	8.8	8.2	8.2	9.7	9.6	7.6	8.3	9.2	9.4
Chambers	16,526	16,149	16,484	16,510	15,988	16,027	16,064	15,900	15,956	15,979	15,926	15,983	15,907	16,057	16,072
	9.1	6.8	7.5	7.7	5.7	5.4	5.7	5.1	5.7	6.5	6.1	5.7	6.0	6.8	7.1
Cherokee	9,708	10,597	10,442	10,253	11,167	11,325	10,953	10,719	10,483	10,441	10,332	10,740	10,766	10,568	10,634
	5.6	5.8	7.6	6.0	5.1	4.9	4.7	4.6	5.7	5.2	7.0	5.0	5.8	5.8	5.6
Chilton	12,270	12,248	12,413	12,338	12,341	12,478	12,480	12,181	12,184	12,176	12,009	11,740	11,886	11,767	11,833
	8.4	13.4	15.4	16.0	12.7	14.9	16.5	16.8	16.0	15.5	15.9	13.8	13.6	11.9	12.5
Choctaw	5,295	5,233	5,311	5,213	5,207	5,174	5,138	5,051	5,266	5,169	5,103	5,156	5,104	4,930	5,004
	8.1	10.3	14.5	10.5	12.0	12.0	11.8	11.0	10.9	10.6	9.6	8.9	10.2	11.2	12.8
Clarke	9,923	10,257	10,512	10,501	10,360	10,409	10,343	10,232	10,469	10,330	10,239	10,202	10,197	10,272	10,342
	8.0	9.5	11.2	9.3	9.5	9.7	10.4	9.5	10.9	9.9	9.8	8.7	9.7	10.7	10.2
Clay	5,709	7,032	7,383	7,271	7,388	7,610	7,490	7,282	7,490	7,507	7,315	7,489	7,510	7,473	7,338
	10.6	7.6	8.8	7.8	7.0	6.3	6.6	5.2	6.3	6.7	6.0	4.9	6.7	7.8	8.0
Cleburne	4,980	4,923	5,083	4,945	4,972	4,945	4,917	4,882	4,923	4,945	5,078	4,969	4,967	4,933	5,081
	6.0	7.1	8.6	6.2	6.8	6.1	5.8	5.4	7.3	7.4	8.9	5.6	6.2	6.7	8.2
Coffee	19,829	19,455	19,244	19,362	19,770	20,040	20,039	19,701	19,142	19,191	18,930	19,259	19,493	18,883	18,584
	5.1	7.9	10.9	9.3	7.5	7.1	8.2	8.0	7.7	9.1	8.9	9.0	9.6	10.9	10.2
Colbert	22,133	22,131	22,351	22,267	22,039	21,952	21,873	22,000	21,844	22,132	22,180	22,142	21,996	22,214	22,266
	8.3	11.9	13.2	13.1	11.8	11.3	11.5	12.2	13.1	13.5	13.4	12.1	11.6	13.5	14.5
Conecuh	7,110	6,753	7,028	6,844	6,775	6,789	6,645	6,606	6,679	6,468	6,523	6,482	6,566	6,411	6,448
	8.1	9.8	14.1	12.0	9.8	8.5	8.5	9.1	10.1	9.4	9.2	7.9	8.6	9.7	10.4
Coosa	5,205	5,880	5,935	5,880	5,761	5,893	5,811	5,746	5,883	5,913	5,950	5,898	5,799	5,620	5,770
	6.1	6.6	6.4	7.0	6.5	7.7	6.6	6.9	7.1	7.1	6.7	6.2	6.0	6.5	6.8
Covington	15,361	15,609	15,733	15,917	16,101	16,099	15,897	15,601	15,518	15,625	15,738	15,743	15,789	16,034	15,667
	6.3	7.6	8.1	8.6	9.3	7.7	8.0	7.9	8.7	9.0	9.0	7.6	6.8	11.4	7.0
Crenshaw	6,600	6,713	7,075	7,041	7,088	7,245	6,747	6,425	6,215	6,287	6,392	6,497	6,733	6,441	5,575
	6.1	8.1	11.6	9.8	8.5	6.2	7.1	7.8	8.0	8.8	8.6	6.3	8.0	8.4	11.4
Cullman	25,659	25,997	25,704	25,851	26,480	27,029	26,333	25,898	25,886	25,825	26,442	26,485	26,683	26,221	25,964
	7.7	10.1	14.0	11.7	10.2	8.9	8.6	8.5	9.6	9.7	10.3	9.0	9.4	10.0	9.7
Dale	10,806	11,620	12,063	11,738	11,932	12,049	11,920	11,864	11,815	11,888	11,887	12,032	12,129	12,289	11,818
	7.1	8.2	10.7	8.1	7.7	8.0	9.2	9.0	9.0	9.4	9.8	9.8	10.0	14.8	10.2
Dallas	21,521	21,635	22,081	22,132	21,889	21,987	21,391	21,164	21,574	21,718	21,716	21,907	21,746	21,915	21,876
	9.3	10.9	13.2	12.7	11.6	10.9	10.7	10.7	11.9	13.1	12.4	11.4	11.3	12.1	10.9
DeKalb	25,577	26,282	27,048	27,106	26,726	26,809	26,236	25,779	25,753	26,060	26,338	26,767	26,890	26,701	27,005
	6.2	8.5	13.6	8.4	8.0	7.9	7.4	7.3	8.4	9.8	9.2	8.4	8.3	8.9	8.7
Elmore	18,983	19,670	19,987	19,739	19,712	19,695	19,630	19,705	19,762	19,681	19,752	19,675	19,863	19,790	19,579
	5.5	6.6	7.4	7.6	7.3	7.4	7.4	8.2	8.7	8.1	8.1	7.2	8.3	8.3	7.5
Escambia	15,639	15,658	15,945	15,603	15,678	15,775	15,698	15,698	15,717	15,986	16,034	15,744	15,857	15,733	15,945
	8.6	8.7	12.0	9.6	8.6	7.3	8.8	8.8	9.0	9.0	9.1	7.2	7.3	8.3	9.0
Etowah	41,225	41,537	42,320	41,939	41,443	41,576	41,367	41,442	41,535	41,619	41,791	41,681	41,592	41,099	41,511
	7.5	9.4	11.3	10.2	9.2	9.0	8.6	8.3	10.1	10.6	11.5	9.3	9.4	10.1	10.8
Fayette	9,956	9,896	9,898	9,855	10,008	10,065	9,917	9,747	9,686	9,706	9,825	9,660	9,674	9,833	9,840
	6.4	7.3	8.7	7.3	7.0	6.3	6.1	5.7	6.0	6.3	6.6	7.6	6.0	6.4	7.0
Franklin	11,408	11,626	11,810	11,848	11,624	11,654	11,648	11,665	11,670	11,691	11,498	11,602	11,605	11,653	11,753
	8.7	12.7	16.5	13.1	11.6	10.4	10.3	10.6	13.2	12.9	10.7	9.5	9.9	10.1	11.1
Geneva	11,750	10,999	10,762	10,728	11,102	11,377	11,118	10,843	10,623	10,750	10,777	11,210	11,176	11,052	10,677
	5.3	6.5	9.4	7.7	6.6	6.6	6.3	6.0	7.2	7.5	7.3	7.6	7.3	21.3	8.1
Greene	4,047	4,112	4,022	4,014	4,222	4,237	4,081	4,061	4,074	4,194	4,215	4,249	4,227	4,027	3,980
	14.2	11.3	12.0	10.7	10.4	10.4	11.1	12.1	13.8	14.7	13.4	11.2	11.1	12.9	12.2
Hale	4,771	4,849	4,943	4,841	5,011	5,104	4,903	4,742	4,597	4,692	4,706	4,786	4,807	4,618	4,626
	12.4	14.6	18.0	13.5	13.8	14.4	13.8	14.5	14.5	15.3	13.7	13.1	14.0	14.5	14.9
Henry	6,762	6,878	6,739	6,877	7,192	7,512	7,146	6,934	6,799	6,887	7,014	7,273	7,476	7,088	6,951
	6.0	6.3	8.1	7.3	6.2	6.3	6.1	6.7	6.9	6.5	6.2	5.7	5.8	6.1	6.1
Houston	37,502	39,242	40,010	39,956	39,845	40,607	39,913	39,326	38,655	38,769	39,161	39,577	39,589	39,473	39,193
	5.5	6.1	7.1	6.4	6.0	6.6	6.8	6.2	6.7	6.8	6.8	6.3	6.3	7.3	6.9
Jackson	20,281	20,364	20,647	20,496	20,510	20,575	20,340	20,150	20,239	21,119	20,773	20,914	20,970	20,805	20,596
	8.1	10.6	14.3	11.8	10.5	9.4	9.3	9.7	11.0	12.3	10.8	10.7	10.3	10.6	10.4
Jefferson	301,639	304,673	309,678	309,809	309,573	309,447	307,216	305,990	303,557	302,265	302,166	301,389	300,578	301,396	299,294
	6.1	8.9	10.5	11.1	10.7	10.6	10.2	9.5	9.3	8.9	9.0	8.1	8.6	9.5	8.6
Lamar	8,192	7,842	7,899	7,772	7,847	7,795	7,614	7,438	7,460	7,598	7,633	7,629	7,554	7,414	7,455
	5.7	7.2	9.4	7.6	7.7	7.2	6.9	6.2	7.0	6.7	7.3	6.5	6.0	6.4	6.3
Lauderdale	34,141	34,016	34,177	33,712	33,729	33,586	33,719	33,507	33,656	33,997	34,034	33,540	33,479	33,276	33,278
	8.4	10.1	11.0	10.1	9.7	9.2	10.0	9.6	11.6	11.8	11.6	9.1	9.0	9.5	10.3
Lawrence	14,083	12,440	12,625	12,495	12,430	12,444	12,216	12,079	12,050	12,219	12,240	12,387	12,571	12,745	13,024
	8.7	12.4	14.7	13.7	12.1	11.2	10.9	11.2	13.6	14.6	13.1	11.3	11.5	12.6	13.3
Lee	31,500	33,272	33,417	33,274	32,635	33,306	33,758	33,502	32,784	33,660	33,449	32,946	33,334	33,425	32,374
	4.6	5.2	6.6	6.1	5.7	5.3	5.1	4.6	5.1	5.1	5.0	4.8	4.5	5.7	5.7
Limestone	20,504	20,888	20,973	21,218	21,147	21,184	20,919	20,771	20,854	20,657	20,520	20,656	20,865	21,000	21,046
	7.6	10.3	12.7	11.9	10.5	9.9	9.4	9.7	11.8	10.9	10.5	8.9	9.2	10.2	9.5
Lowndes	4,460	4,693	4,716	4,775	4,866	4,839	4,828	4,722	4,453	4,618	4,671	4,651	4,779	4,851	4,837
	9.0	12.1	14.0	14.0	14.0	11.2	9.9	10.1	12.1	12.7	12.7	11.1	13.3	15.6	15.7
Macon	7,394	7,148	7,122	7,234	7,240	7,244	7,120	7,000	7,035	7,119	7,146	7,197	7,226	7,266	7,171
	7.3	7.8	10.4	10.6	8.0	7.7	7.6	7.0	7.2	7.5	8.0	7.3	8.1	10.9	11.3
Madison	87,078	87,633	89,272	88,318	88,657	88,331	87,722	87,580	86,635	86,703	86,610	87,016	87,662	88,402	88,585
	7.0	8.7	12.3	9.6	8.8	7.7	7.7	8.5	9.3	9.3	9.4	7.6	7.6	8.9	8.1
Marengo	8,721	8,860	9,170	9,073	8,944	9,132	8,949	8,774	8,809	8,750	8,747	8,770	8,834	8,864	8,875
	7.7	9.6	11.2	9.3	9.3	10.0	9.9	8.9	10.7	10.7	10.7	9.9	10.2	11.8	11.6
Marion	12,064	12,120	11,961	12,343	12,152	12,254	11,984	11,918	12,279	12,367	12,352	12,332	12,130	11,969	12,214
	9.2	11.3	13.2	12.1	11.4	11.1	9.7	10.0	13.9	13.7	13.6	10.1	9.1	9.2	9.3
Marshall	28,816	28,906	30,084	28,767	29,052	29,285	29,174	28,749	28,951	29,055	29,067	29,490	29,664	29,530	29,381
	7.4	10.6	16.0	10.3	10.1	10.1	10.3	9.9	12.3	12.5	12.8	11.9	11.8	11.9	10.5
Mobile	150,035	151,569	153,986	152,132	150,986	152,742	152,468	152,146	151,163	151,637	151,656	152,872	153,294	154,664	153,414
	8.3	7.6	8.3	8.2	8.3	7.9	7.4	7.3	8.1	8.3	7.9	8.1	8.1	9.5	9.1

GENERAL BUSINESS INDICATORS FOR ALABAMA—CONTINUED

Type of Activity	Annual		1980						1981						
	1979	1980	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July
LABOR FORCE AND EMPLOYMENT—CONT.															
County data *(civilian labor force and unemployment rate)*															
Monroe	10,663	10,122	10,515	10,104	10,108	10,164	10,004	9,839	9,809	9,827	9,873	9,960	10,043	9,937	10,550
	8.2	10.1	15.3	10.2	9.4	9.1	10.6	10.0	11.8	11.7	11.2	9.4	10.3	10.8	15.8
Montgomery	86,220	86,693	88,333	86,699	86,749	86,423	85,936	84,999	85,243	85,967	85,771	85,973	86,244	87,581	86,997
	5.7	6.8	7.9	7.6	7.4	7.3	7.0	6.5	7.0	7.6	7.0	6.7	7.2	8.9	8.5
Morgan	36,065	36,443	37,301	37,066	36,620	36,265	35,903	35,568	35,985	36,136	36,238	36,093	36,122	36,110	35,789
	7.3	11.1	15.1	12.7	12.0	10.4	10.2	9.6	10.8	10.7	10.8	9.1	9.7	10.4	10.2
Perry	4,821	5,354	5,711	5,620	5,740	5,611	5,303	5,500	5,303	5,301	5,406	5,577	5,714	5,656	5,444
	8.2	7.7	9.2	8.7	7.1	8.0	7.1	8.5	8.1	8.2	8.7	7.9	10.3	11.3	12.1
Pickens	7,953	8,074	8,173	8,020	8,095	8,087	8,019	7,874	7,774	7,864	7,815	7,814	7,893	7,793	7,676
	8.8	11.5	12.5	11.8	11.8	11.4	12.4	13.4	15.4	16.2	13.1	13.1	13.7	13.8	12.4
Pike	13,297	13,435	13,360	13,103	13,231	14,085	13,536	13,142	13,075	13,192	13,200	13,194	13,396	13,153	12,631
	4.8	6.7	9.1	7.6	7.2	6.6	6.8	7.6	7.0	7.9	7.9	7.1	7.5	8.8	9.0
Randolph	7,624	7,879	8,175	7,922	7,964	8,361	8,314	8,357	8,508	8,821	9,002	9,077	9,133	8,951	9,029
	10.5	9.3	14.4	8.6	7.5	6.9	8.0	6.1	6.8	7.7	8.7	6.0	6.1	6.7	10.8
Russell	17,511	17,244	18,066	17,141	17,067	16,997	17,017	16,902	17,112	16,948	17,021	17,306	16,733	17,144	17,348
	8.0	9.4	12.8	9.2	8.9	8.6	9.0	8.4	9.8	9.6	9.7	12.5	8.3	9.8	10.0
St. Clair	16,796	16,964	17,224	16,829	17,064	16,858	16,749	16,790	17,052	17,227	17,195	17,062	17,055	17,095	17,247
	5.9	7.6	9.1	7.6	8.4	7.3	7.0	6.9	8.8	9.7	9.6	8.3	9.0	9.8	10.3
Shelby	26,533	26,780	27,313	26,890	26,751	26,828	26,805	26,702	26,765	26,672	26,530	26,382	26,385	26,336	26,565
	5.8	7.7	9.7	8.8	7.9	8.2	8.4	7.7	8.4	8.0	7.6	6.5	7.3	7.7	8.2
Sumter	6,635	6,649	6,943	6,709	6,532	6,722	6,622	6,422	6,281	6,399	6,281	6,325	6,252	6,193	6,053
	6.9	10.2	13.5	13.4	10.0	9.2	10.4	9.5	9.9	9.6	8.5	7.7	11.1	13.5	12.8
Talladega	28,162	28,574	28,764	28,482	28,300	28,857	28,610	28,049	28,290	29,877	28,537	28,535	28,589	28,570	28,582
	10.4	11.7	12.5	12.0	10.7	11.6	11.4	9.4	11.3	15.1	10.8	10.5	11.0	12.1	12.6
Tallapoosa	15,638	16,061	16,472	16,333	15,966	16,229	16,113	16,128	16,246	16,295	16,323	16,335	16,298	16,505	16,399
	6.3	6.4	7.8	6.6	6.3	6.5	6.0	6.1	7.9	6.6	7.0	6.5	6.5	7.9	7.5
Tuscaloosa	51,589	52,284	51,422	52,323	52,513	53,138	52,608	53,159	52,877	52,942	52,726	52,879	52,598	51,410	50,806
	6.1	7.9	10.0	8.7	8.0	7.6	7.3	8.0	8.9	9.0	8.6	8.9	9.6	9.9	9.4
Walker	31,188	30,940	31,105	30,670	30,571	30,956	30,568	30,769	31,025	31,136	30,949	32,158	32,392	32,091	30,956
	8.4	10.3	11.0	10.3	9.6	10.7	9.3	10.1	11.3	11.6	11.1	13.9	15.2	15.0	11.6
Washington	6,138	6,293	6,337	6,297	6,449	6,522	6,407	6,269	6,325	6,305	6,498	6,426	6,516	6,528	6,353
	9.8	8.8	10.6	8.9	8.8	8.9	9.4	8.4	10.3	10.0	12.0	9.8	10.5	12.6	11.9
Wilcox	4,979	4,899	4,806	4,692	4,914	5,064	4,861	4,748	5,000	4,926	4,799	4,846	4,982	4,781	4,773
	9.6	11.7	14.0	12.8	12.9	12.4	11.3	10.6	14.2	11.5	11.4	10.2	10.9	13.6	12.7
Winston	7,746	7,937	8,106	8,047	8,005	7,975	7,822	7,778	8,095	8,004	7,882	8,006	7,981	7,802	7,749
	11.4	14.2	16.8	16.6	12.9	11.4	11.1	12.4	17.5	16.2	13.2	13.5	12.3	12.4	12.5
TRADE															
Foreign, through Port of Mobile															
Imports															
Value *($1,000)*	681,522	670,921	29,586	68,450	45,230	63,782	43,942	55,750	82,239	40,828	60,179	.....	.....	.....	.....
Shipping weight *(1,000,000 lbs.)*	20,003	16,700	818	1,424	873	1,082	1,288	1,335	1,330	1,115	1,340	.....	.....	.....	.....
Exports															
Value *($1,000)*	921,076	1,215,409	91,997	102,854	100,828	105,973	106,987	91,082	153,741	99,151	129,192	.....	.....	.....	.....
Shipping weight *(1,000,000 lbs.)*	7,800	11,921	1,095	1,057	858	1,310	1,253	954	1,512	821	1,163	.....	.....	.....	.....
Shipments by water, Port of Mobile[a] *(1,000 tons)*	37,953	40,836	3,153	3,298	3,130	3,094	3,300	3,509	3,133	3,013	3,104	2,486	2,290	2,344	3,222
Domestic															
Electric energy consumption, non-industrial purposes *(1,000,000 kwh)*	21,905	23,398	2,392	2,595	2,531	1,950	1,519	1,821	2,207	2,041	1,596	1,470	1,435	1,803	2,425
Gasoline sales[a] *(1,000 gallons)*	2,074,362	1,944,629	179,746	153,652	152,960	158,446	152,466	167,742	153,273	134,657	152,457	155,340	135,305	162,810	.....
New passenger car registrations[b] *(number)*	161,661	124,072	10,729	10,826	9,150	9,864	9,731	10,736	7,339	10,014	9,430	7,862	6,441	10,100	.....
Retail sales by kind of business, state totals[c] *($1,000,000)*															
Food	3,021	3,350	289	288	277	288	284	305	294	276	292	303	305	298	241
General stores with food and gas	230	274	24	24	22	24	23	24	23	22	25	27	27	27	18
General merchandise	1,928	2,000	151	163	145	165	196	297	135	129	161	186	174	138	112
Apparel	454	461	34	38	35	40	41	66	34	30	38	45	38	37	26
Furniture, furnishings, etc	515	512	44	42	41	42	44	53	43	38	44	42	44	46	34
Automotive	2,692	2,371	213	209	189	212	180	183	178	195	232	217	216	232	195
Gasoline service stations	1,070	1,320	116	116	106	115	106	101	112	109	117	119	115	137	85
Lumber and building materials	896	877	76	75	73	82	72	72	67	63	73	79	76	80	59
Hardware and farm implements	419	386	32	32	32	35	29	32	28	26	34	36	35	37	26
Eating places	901	969	83	87	80	85	82	85	79	76	88	87	90	84	69
Drug stores	393	427	34	35	33	36	34	45	40	37	38	38	40	37	31
All other retail	2,138	2,271	181	184	177	203	186	244	175	176	205	222	210	204	147
Total sales by retail concerns	14,658	15,220	1,278	1,293	1,210	1,328	1,278	1,507	1,208	1,177	1,347	1,402	1,371	1,357	1,042
Nonretail and unclassified concerns	4,135	4,472	353	346	344	364	342	402	350	357	385	378	360	372	292
Total all sales at retail	18,793	19,691	1,631	1,639	1,554	1,692	1,620	1,909	1,559	1,534	1,732	1,780	1,730	1,729	1,333
Retail sales, Standard Metropolitan Statistical Areas and counties[d] *($1,000)*															
SMSAs															
Anniston	384,623	396,846	33,679	34,391	33,377	34,827	33,442	41,037	32,783	31,863	36,069	36,705	37,423	40,194	29,974
Birmingham	5,067,779	5,227,977	436,140	443,223	415,843	457,477	426,602	515,001	406,979	402,400	454,898	474,040	450,328	474,689	398,245
Florence	504,965	518,206	43,589	43,679	43,055	47,114	44,414	52,372	42,009	40,440	47,270	46,908	46,828	47,156	31,974
Gadsden	402,411	404,302	34,774	35,521	33,508	37,585	33,254	38,457	34,611	31,694	38,399	38,878	37,683	38,303	25,867
Huntsville	1,172,510	1,189,465	100,909	100,762	95,484	107,192	97,414	110,361	96,101	92,912	107,101	107,816	108,167	109,620	79,169
Mobile	1,892,078	2,128,870	179,877	177,644	168,929	181,773	174,871	198,848	172,398	168,499	184,030	191,270	188,756	184,154	144,962
Montgomery	1,158,375	1,162,574	98,038	98,433	92,560	103,677	97,248	110,342	91,928	92,287	103,713	105,242	100,669	102,985	80,123
Tuscaloosa	503,140	521,711	43,062	44,998	43,578	49,323	45,723	50,979	44,054	42,471	45,204	46,943	47,133	46,350	35,760
Counties															
Autauga	89,901	90,403	7,695	7,874	7,356	7,907	7,477	8,271	7,903	7,736	8,486	8,960	9,066	9,288	8,580
Baldwin	299,152	349,952	32,469	31,993	29,022	30,876	27,270	29,919	27,032	27,336	32,501	32,364	35,159	33,741	26,714
Barbour	60,088	61,900	5,367	5,377	4,673	5,380	4,842	5,595	4,821	4,673	6,186	6,705	5,787	5,537	3,621
Bibb	28,974	27,124	2,245	2,311	2,108	2,345	2,075	2,660	2,096	2,072	2,009	2,291	2,364	2,338	1,381
Blount	83,436	80,524	6,358	7,275	6,877	7,041	6,022	6,767	6,471	6,311	7,118	6,487	6,627	6,673	4,770
Bullock	28,078	30,017	2,595	2,772	2,341	2,416	2,288	2,657	2,626	2,491	2,569	2,817	2,743	2,718	1,798
Butler	61,560	62,496	5,153	5,078	4,807	5,351	5,215	6,156	5,442	5,019	5,984	5,775	5,490	5,685	4,089
Calhoun	384,623	396,846	33,679	34,391	33,377	34,827	33,442	41,037	32,783	31,863	36,069	36,705	37,423	40,194	29,974
Chambers	82,991	91,400	7,914	7,828	7,247	8,206	7,466	8,274	7,333	6,860	8,381	8,817	8,375	8,436	5,736
Cherokee	50,112	51,526	4,699	4,333	4,264	5,254	4,125	4,325	3,896	3,791	4,479	5,101	4,811	4,774	3,625
Chilton	79,156	79,113	6,669	6,956	6,135	7,110	6,264	6,885	6,604	5,921	7,443	7,635	7,366	7,150	4,955
Choctaw	42,904	46,204	3,891	3,810	3,483	4,003	3,703	4,337	4,105	3,631	4,294	4,526	4,246	4,069	2,582
Clarke	94,828	92,569	8,200	7,868	7,380	7,967	7,514	8,268	7,259	6,640	7,853	8,231	7,811	7,398	5,342
Clay	26,223	26,700	2,195	2,208	2,022	2,435	2,283	2,506	2,310	2,010	2,163	2,353	2,344	2,106	1,402
Cleburne	19,874	20,739	1,724	1,689	1,717	1,842	1,698	1,986	1,862	1,564	1,882	1,988	1,865	2,090	1,609
Coffee	143,793	129,515	10,572	10,708	10,600	11,098	10,240	11,403	10,958	10,682	11,799	12,373	11,922	11,569	9,795

GENERAL BUSINESS INDICATORS FOR ALABAMA—CONTINUED

Type of Activity	Annual		1980						1981						
	1979	1980	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July
TRADE—CONTINUED															
Retail sales, SMSAs and counties—continued															
Counties—continued															
Colbert	252,738	255,653	22,032	21,550	22,359	23,889	21,327	22,654	21,853	21,060	24,727	23,904	23,803	24,772	14,948
Conecuh	36,627	35,974	3,222	2,967	2,706	3,205	2,881	3,147	2,729	2,827	3,318	3,597	3,283	3,291	2,980
Coosa	16,523	20,867	1,814	1,728	1,643	1,767	1,661	1,849	1,647	1,638	1,778	1,818	1,885	2,044	1,473
Covington	133,115	131,395	11,196	10,442	10,164	11,076	9,974	11,720	9,714	9,651	12,597	12,882	12,097	12,004	8,678
Crenshaw	33,322	33,861	3,093	2,800	2,694	3,107	2,335	2,735	2,458	2,227	3,179	3,169	3,296	3,156	2,248
Cullman	251,282	246,149	20,448	20,304	19,878	21,612	19,782	20,919	19,342	18,372	21,989	21,798	22,148	21,836	16,494
Dale	83,481	89,662	7,589	7,322	7,015	7,793	7,413	8,188	7,250	6,693	7,778	8,212	8,116	7,873	5,513
Dallas	209,925	206,770	17,029	17,182	15,870	17,610	16,394	19,879	16,285	15,857	18,027	19,675	18,880	18,226	12,222
DeKalb	156,923	160,548	14,195	13,460	13,256	14,921	12,748	14,186	13,079	12,009	14,236	14,331	14,397	14,651	11,453
Elmore	84,600	83,151	6,993	7,371	6,938	7,013	6,566	7,175	6,501	6,279	7,337	7,898	8,048	7,805	5,195
Escambia	148,618	153,036	13,427	12,896	12,528	14,330	12,460	13,132	10,516	10,580	12,130	12,578	12,082	12,112	8,538
Etowah	402,411	404,302	34,774	35,521	33,508	37,585	33,254	38,457	34,611	31,694	38,399	38,878	37,683	38,303	25,867
Fayette	97,935	98,492	8,442	8,823	9,778	7,701	7,712	8,344	6,706	5,782	7,365	7,588	7,917	8,110	5,886
Franklin	89,189	87,850	7,244	7,050	6,928	7,849	7,168	7,814	6,555	6,531	7,644	8,523	8,742	8,142	4,617
Geneva	107,966	114,284	9,063	9,549	9,063	10,184	10,241	11,211	10,291	9,482	10,555	11,102	11,869	11,532	10,407
Greene	20,009	21,441	1,826	1,840	1,598	1,947	1,672	2,202	1,721	1,666	1,907	2,137	2,025	2,048	1,216
Hale	33,177	35,156	3,341	2,687	2,700	3,248	2,817	2,887	2,661	2,704	2,965	3,258	3,132	3,411	2,024
Henry	45,671	40,975	3,478	3,449	3,300	3,510	3,203	3,551	3,418	3,189	4,036	3,893	4,220	3,923	2,458
Houston	431,238	423,855	37,397	36,624	33,641	36,313	34,249	40,820	34,053	32,786	37,013	40,052	37,970	38,441	30,162
Jackson	157,213	151,174	13,052	12,969	11,408	13,816	12,088	13,000	11,574	11,095	14,064	13,920	13,954	13,204	9,119
Jefferson	4,471,908	4,631,221	386,320	391,462	367,066	404,108	379,409	462,479	357,858	354,228	400,881	421,052	398,194	421,885	354,310
Lamar	33,449	34,926	3,012	3,046	2,839	3,286	2,958	3,235	2,809	2,623	2,978	3,508	3,412	3,575	1,877
Lauderdale	252,227	262,553	21,557	22,129	20,696	23,225	23,087	29,718	20,156	19,380	22,543	23,004	23,025	22,384	17,026
Lawrence	58,502	60,129	4,782	4,755	4,815	5,357	5,054	5,903	4,537	4,346	5,177	5,646	5,827	5,775	3,537
Lee	269,096	298,185	24,873	24,704	26,252	26,446	25,294	27,850	24,959	23,781	27,834	27,125	25,961	25,706	19,572
Limestone	138,508	141,315	12,223	12,311	11,354	12,357	11,543	13,155	11,216	10,712	12,954	13,061	13,105	12,943	8,474
Lowndes	23,568	21,306	1,807	1,754	1,625	1,721	1,772	2,257	1,842	1,785	1,845	1,900	1,949	1,686	1,165
Macon	42,851	43,443	3,760	3,803	4,034	3,827	3,387	3,674	4,042	3,214	3,645	3,853	3,686	3,954	2,321
Madison	746,029	777,528	66,392	65,873	63,349	69,767	63,692	73,569	63,411	62,024	70,421	70,743	71,346	72,869	52,293
Marengo	78,397	83,158	7,276	6,630	6,517	7,974	6,877	7,357	6,840	6,573	7,339	8,034	7,165	7,605	3,924
Marion	70,818	67,727	5,512	5,303	5,421	6,069	5,373	6,367	5,306	5,519	5,697	5,611	5,737	5,822	4,104
Marshall	287,973	270,622	22,294	22,578	20,781	25,068	22,179	23,637	21,474	20,176	23,726	24,012	23,716	23,808	18,402
Mobile	1,592,926	1,778,918	147,408	145,651	139,907	150,897	147,601	168,929	145,366	141,163	151,529	158,906	153,597	150,413	118,248
Monroe	99,211	85,749	6,576	6,695	6,198	8,282	7,386	7,919	6,917	6,513	7,966	8,587	8,109	7,401	5,622
Montgomery	983,874	989,020	83,350	83,188	78,266	88,757	83,205	94,896	77,524	78,272	87,890	88,384	83,555	85,892	66,348
Morgan	436,814	455,078	33,309	36,951	35,881	39,359	35,756	40,351	37,749	35,123	49,141	49,213	42,895	38,472	30,332
Perry	30,795	29,666	2,412	2,494	2,690	2,544	2,247	2,684	2,250	2,454	2,733	2,622	2,876	2,789	1,414
Pickens	50,941	53,477	4,378	4,364	4,145	4,960	4,329	4,994	4,133	4,193	4,785	5,360	5,387	4,924	2,669
Pike	92,065	86,718	7,515	7,491	6,897	7,668	6,762	7,271	7,157	6,340	7,938	8,867	8,295	7,763	5,104
Randolph	51,372	52,463	4,007	4,172	4,379	4,836	4,386	5,359	4,992	4,339	4,888	4,677	4,563	4,467	3,222
Russell	85,842	87,295	7,390	7,199	6,644	7,385	7,062	7,688	6,708	6,878	8,185	8,202	8,306	8,281	5,801
St. Clair	108,224	101,115	20,660	21,719	21,150	22,700	19,538	21,820	20,205	19,701	22,809	23,670	22,625	21,866	18,038
Shelby	246,563	248,484	8,924	8,542	7,983	8,634	7,443	8,232	7,830	8,074	9,242	9,677	9,807	8,732	6,220
Sumter	33,598	34,909	3,002	3,021	2,619	3,207	2,835	3,312	2,827	2,569	2,918	3,077	2,946	2,824	1,908
Talladega	200,785	214,485	18,074	18,189	17,151	18,449	18,655	20,177	18,057	16,892	19,480	19,684	19,699	19,944	12,272
Tallapoosa	119,163	129,542	10,693	10,685	10,179	10,605	9,981	11,610	9,898	9,281	11,280	11,634	10,772	10,892	7,449
Tuscaloosa	503,140	521,711	43,062	44,998	43,578	49,323	45,723	50,979	44,054	42,471	45,204	46,943	47,133	46,350	35,760
Walker	241,084	247,157	20,236	21,500	19,644	22,035	20,212	22,470	21,086	20,397	21,966	19,641	19,702	22,266	19,677
Washington	27,586	32,019	2,815	2,566	2,631	2,785	2,473	2,818	2,565	2,341	2,765	3,034	2,757	2,462	1,698
Wilcox	31,658	31,993	2,542	2,891	2,427	2,511	2,654	2,918	2,720	2,458	2,821	2,775	2,906	2,989	1,884
Winston	60,778	59,879	4,971	5,109	5,047	5,550	5,118	5,541	4,998	4,819	5,664	5,134	5,841	5,697	4,048
Statewide[1]			259,281	258,035	241,017	249,918	278,085	355,072	250,989	265,062	277,369	280,014	276,749	258,327	201,489
BUILDING ACTIVITY															
Alabama total															
Building permits *($1,000)*															
Total	1,063,046	957,027	75,240	80,522	98,087	97,855	64,855	66,567	62,088	82,202	81,165	94,413	81,227	70,348	72,383
Residential	438,765	392,780	32,615	38,052	55,260	44,714	36,552	30,842	21,036	33,311	30,678	37,061	29,291	25,423	19,274
Nonresidential	447,162	300,326	20,401	22,833	22,581	22,164	14,093	19,014	25,164	27,233	31,248	35,810	12,252	27,343	35,234
In selected cities															
Anniston															
Building permits *($1,000)*															
Total	15,714	9,763	546	798	1,317	417	826	361	663	831	794	734	832	758	475
Residential	5,316	3,426	31	462	125	188	445	240	422	352	224	242	311	452	186
Nonresidential	9,038	3,050	401	59	322	22	189	.....	.....	232	306	175	196	.....	105
Birmingham															
Building permits *($1,000)*															
Total	133,537	148,531	7,036	15,008	14,874	18,783	9,851	6,914	8,364	21,374	10,828	24,878	26,446	8,684	10,140
Residential	39,187	26,752	106	2,668	6,399	2,422	5,077	1,985	3,088	3,297	2,805	3,182	4,184	2,210	976
Nonresidential	26,260	31,260	5,245	4,340	2,102	1,319	800	1,113	.....	6,630	2,011	14,514	852	1,746	3,960
Decatur															
Building permits *($1,000)*															
Total	48,728	48,102	4,448	3,634	6,467	4,358	3,338	2,095	3,735	1,876	372	4,489	2,099	952	921
Residential	13,588	14,641	1,182	1,299	2,011	1,339	1,118	1,228	254	1,041	200	1,397	436	629	500
Nonresidential	33,606	31,498	3,072	2,173	4,271	2,827	2,074	746	3,384	715	96	2,901	1,486	194	303
Dothan															
Building permits *($1,000)*															
Total	28,431	21,866	1,412	3,984	1,996	1,929	622	2,135	751	2,261	1,132	2,030	925	2,157	1,486
Residential	11,655	8,331	516	956	1,466	644	341	602	428	666	400	923	341	251	571
Nonresidential	13,448	8,207	503	2,651	208	656	14	723	20	1,066	66	130	5	700	106
Gadsden															
Building permits *($1,000)*															
Total	13,488	9,364	724	322	1,094	2,083	720	549	348	713	403	1,391	292	709	486
Residential	5,261	3,472	149	50	408	1,572	70	152	85	176	54	80	82	169	160
Nonresidential	5,309	2,693	345	10	309	208	427	6	88	103	31	7	13	152	32
Huntsville															
Building permits *($1,000)*															
Total	52,811	56,107	3,649	1,989	3,681	3,385	3,545	3,595	5,667	1,823	10,778	4,885	2,709	6,396	3,124
Residential	15,993	13,806	1,768	998	1,594	1,314	1,084	955	412	474	1,434	1,236	660	779	810
Nonresidential	30,252	29,938	546	228	1,249	568	1,516	1,978	4,428	192	7,929	2,881	663	4,713	505
Mobile															
Building permits *($1,000)*															
Total	85,472	133,145	3,860	7,227	10,460	4,553	6,888	14,542	8,610	10,190	8,232	5,306	5,005	7,328	17,668
Residential	24,430	30,719	1,652	3,526	6,599	1,186	3,548	7,323	2,010	6,391	5,333	970	336	1,537	698
Nonresidential	36,847	69,540	798	2,357	2,558	1,775	2,097	5,807	5,481	1,462	818	2,349	2,987	3,240	15,685

GENERAL BUSINESS INDICATORS FOR ALABAMA—CONTINUED

Type of Activity	Annual		1980						1981						
	1979	1980	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July
BUILDING ACTIVITY —CONTINUED															
Montgomery															
Building permits *($1,000)*															
Total	84,898	80,353	5,303	4,827	9,694	9,121	2,919	6,835	3,984	3,542	4,209	8,481	2,893	3,440	5,529
Residential	45,335	38,058	3,484	2,800	5,007	3,353	1,547	2,225	1,247	1,140	2,109	4,462	744	850	1,123
Nonresidential	29,442	15,696	1,189	976	1,678	1,059	431	827	1,324	1,454	264	2,114	211	1,632	2,750
Quad-Cities[13]															
Building permits *($1,000)*															
Total	25,180	35,276	982	1,394	2,593	1,830	3,706	1,575	1,382	6,945	2,253	889	1,089	4,895	670
Residential	15,725	18,735	543	954	1,911	1,344	2,247	302	480	2,315	1,394	598	686	3,767	506
Nonresidential	5,842	13,202	224	201	268	70	1,152	1,080	.....	4,506	644	23	172	751	292
Selma															
Building permits *($1,000)*															
Total	7,041	7,688	983	548	1,362	462	670	390	250	232	264	571	218	301	602
Residential	3,368	3,869	94	303	1,117	158	266	162	138	30	55	177	31	128	64
Nonresidential	1,864	915	8	134	124	16	317	.....	3	.....	90	.....	.....	.....	436
Tuscaloosa															
Building permits *($1,000)*															
Total	32,021	27,636	2,360	1,353	1,990	5,170	1,310	3,309	2,649	2,625	1,847	1,504	1,305	1,256	618
Residential	12,622	11,514	856	644	803	4,443	636	427	388	740	522	921	704	362	281
Nonresidential	15,913	10,356	1,011	369	372	416	304	1,351	1,863	1,588	1,022	233	404	665	114

NOTE: A complete listing of data sources is available in the October 1979 issue of *Alabama Business*. Throughout this table, details do not necessarily add to totals due to rounding. For cement and crude oil, individual months may not add to annual totals due to late revisions in annual data. r Revised. † Coke production reported quarterly after December 1980.

[1]Estimated total for calendar month based on adjustment of weekly data. [2]Alabama has more than 90% of total capacity in the four-state area. [3]These data may not be reused in any manner without the express permission of F. W. Dodge Div., McGraw-Hill Information Co. [4]End-of-month balance.

[5]Beginning January 1978, the Consumer Price Index consists of All "Urban Consumers." Prior to that date, it included only "Urban Wage Earners and Clerical Workers." Historical data will not be available due to the change in coverage. No "Energy" data are available prior to 1978, and "Housing" data prior to January 1978 are not comparable to the new "Housing" series due to a change in definition.

[6]These data were previously presented as the "Wholesale Price Index." The new title more accurately reflects the coverage of the data.

[7]Civilian labor force, unemployment, and total employment are adjusted by place of residence, and total nonagricultural employment and its components are by place of work. Annual data are monthly averages. Data for the latest month are preliminary and will be revised in the following issue. All 1980 data are adjusted to a March 1980 benchmark; all 1979 data are adjusted to a 1979 benchmark.

[8]Includes both inbound and outbound shipments by water moving through private facilities as well as through the Alabama State Docks; excludes tonnage for military installations.

[9]Excludes sales to federal government. [10]These data may not be reused in any manner without the express permission of R. L. Polk and Company.

[11]Retails sales data represent sales at retail as reported to the Alabama Department of Revenue under the definition of the Alabama Sales Tax Law. Total sales figures include sales at retail by wholesalers and other nonretail firms as well as retail concerns. Sales at retail thus defined should not be confused with all sales (including nonretail sales) by retail concerns as reported in the *Census of Retail Trade*. **Monthly sales figures are preliminary and subject to revision on a continuing basis. Sales figure for the two latest months are normally low because they do not yet include data from late reporters. Retail sales historical data prior to 1976 are not available for the new series. The "Statewide" category in the "County" section provides sales figures which are not attributable to individual counties; it does not represent a state total.**

[12]Private construction only. May be partially estimated by the Bureau of the Census: the sum of monthly figures may not equal annual total. "Total" construction includes additions and alternations, therefore, is not a sum of residential and nonresidential. [13]Quad-Cities consists of Florence, Muscle Shoals, Sheffield, and Tuscumbia.

Foreign Investment Study Now Available

Foreign-Based Investments in Alabama, a study of the nature and extent of overseas business activities in the state by Dr. Eric N. Baklanoff and Dr. William R. Bennett of the University of Alabama, is now available.

The study updates and expands the authors' first look at this topic, which appeared in the August 1978 issue of *Alabama Business*. The study notes the rapid expansion of foreign investment in the state during the 1970s and examines the impact of foreign investment on the state's economy, Alabama's attractions for foreign investors, the trend toward U.S. equity participation with foreign investors, and other aspects of foreign investment.

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The Economy in Perspective

Census Shows Ups, Downs in Alabama

The U.S. Bureau of the Census recently released final population and housing data for Alabama. These data were collected during the 1980 census. According to Census Bureau data, the population of Alabama was 3,890,061 on Apr. 1, 1980. That figure represented a 12.9 percent increase over the 1970 count. The population increase for Alabama exceeded the national rate, which was 10.9 percent. Based on preliminary data, the population growth rates for adjoining states were as follows: Mississippi, 13.3 percent; Florida, 41.1 percent; Georgia, 17.8 percent; and Tennessee, 15.8 percent.

Nationally there were significant population shifts during the past decade. In the Northeast the population fell by .1 percent. The fastest growing region was the West, with a population growth of 23.4 percent. The population in the southern states grew by only 3.7 percent. Regional growth rates are all based on preliminary census data.

In Alabama the number of housing units grew by 30.9 percent during the past decade, greatly exceeding the growth of population. In 1980 there were 2.7 persons per housing unit in Alabama compared to 3.1 in 1970. Nationally the housing occupancy rate was 2.6 persons per unit in 1980. The national housing growth rate during the past decade was 28.5 percent, based on preliminary tabulations.

The fastest growing county in Alabama during 1970-1980 was Shelby County which grew by 74.3 percent to a 1980 population of 66,298. Other rapidly growing counties were St. Clair (47.4 percent), Blount (35.8 percent), Baldwin (32.1 percent), Houston (31.9 percent), Autauga (31.9 percent), Jackson (31.1 percent) and Winston (31.8 percent).

Six counties experienced population declines during the decade. The population of Bullock County declined by 10.4 percent, the largest loss of any county in the state. Other counties with declining population were Butler (-1.5 percent), Dale (-9.8 percent), Dallas (-2.4 percent), Hale (-1.8 percent) and Perry (-2.4 percent).

The census reports also tally the median age for Alabama population at 29.3 years, compared to a national median age of 30.0 years. In 1980 Alabama's population was by age as follows: Under 5 years, 7.6 percent; 5-9 years, 8.1 percent; 10-14 years, 8.4 percent; 15-19 years, 9.7 percent; 20-24 years, 9.3 percent; 25-29 years, 8.1 percent; 30-34 years, 7.3 percent; 35-39 years, 5.9 percent; 40-44 years, 5.2 percent; 45-49 years, 4.9 percent; 50-54 years, 5.1 percent; 55-59 years, 4.9 percent; 60-64 years, 4.1 percent; over 65 years, 11.3 percent.

In 1980 the Alabama population was comprised of 2,021,058 females and 1,869,003 males. By race the population was 73.8 percent white, 25.6 percent black, 0.2 percent American Indian, 0.2 percent Asian and 0.2 percent "other." Some 33,100 Alabamians listed themselves as being of Spanish origin.

The census figures show that Alabama is continuing the long-standing trend toward urbanization. In 1980 four cities had populations of more than 100,000: Birmingham (284,413), Mobile (200,452), Montgomery (178,157) and Huntsville (142,513). Approximately 21 percent of all Alabamians live in these cities. Only one Alabama city fell into the intermediate range of 50,000 to 100,000—Tuscaloosa, with 75,143 residents. Ten Alabama cities fell into the population category of 25,000 to 50,000. These were Dothan (48,750), Gadsden (47,565), Decatur (42,002), Prichard (39,541), Florence (37,029), Bessemer (31,729), Anniston (29,523), Phenix City (26,928), and Selma (26,684). **—Ronald Bird**

Alabama Counties by 1980 Population

1.	Jefferson	671,197	35.	Lawrence	30,170
2.	Mobile	364,379	36.	Marion	30,041
3.	Montgomery	197,038	37.	Franklin	28,350
4.	Madison	196,966	38.	Pike	28,050
5.	Tuscaloosa	137,473	39.	Clarke	27,702
6.	Calhoun	116,936	40.	Macon	26,829
7.	Etowah	103,057	41.	Marengo	25,047
8.	Morgan	90,231	42.	Barbour	24,756
9.	Lauderdale	80,504	43.	Geneva	24,253
10.	Baldwin	78,440	44.	Monroe	22,651
11.	Lee	76,283	45.	Winston	21,953
12.	Houston	74,632	46.	Butler	21,680
13.	Talladega	73,826	47.	Pickens	21,481
14.	Walker	68,660	48.	Randolph	20,075
15.	Shelby	66,298	49.	Fayette	18,809
16.	Marshall	65,622	50.	Cherokee	18,760
17.	Cullman	61,642	51.	Sumter	16,908
18.	Colbert	54,519	52.	Choctaw	16,839
19.	Dallas	53,981	53.	Washington	16,821
20.	DeKalb	53,658	54.	Lamar	16,453
21.	Jackson	51,407	55.	Conecuh	15,884
22.	Dale	47,821	56.	Bibb	15,723
23.	Russell	47,356	57.	Hale	15,604
24.	Limestone	46,005	58.	Henry	15,302
25.	Elmore	43,390	59.	Perry	15,012
26.	St. Clair	41,205	60.	Wilcox	14,755
27.	Chambers	39,191	61.	Crenshaw	14,110
28.	Tallapoosa	38,676	62.	Clay	13,703
29.	Coffee	38,533	63.	Lowndes	13,253
30.	Escambia	38,392	64.	Cleburne	12,595
31.	Covington	36,850	65.	Coosa	11,377
32.	Blount	36,459	66.	Greene	11,021
33.	Autauga	32,259	67.	Bullock	10,596
34.	Chilton	30,612			

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